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SUBJECT: POLLUTION CONTROL TRADE MISSION

1. WE HAVE CANCELED EUROPEAN COMMUNITY BRIEFINGS, NATO BRIEFINGS, ROTARY CLUB LUNCHEON, ANTIPOL AND FECHÉMIE (FABRIMETAL) MEETINGS AND RECEPTION, AMBASSADOR'S RECEPTION (WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO REACH ALL 70 INDIVIDUALS WHO HAD ACCEPTED), AND HAVE ASKED SOCIÉTÉ PROVINCIALE D'INDUSTRIALISATION OF LIEGE TO ANNUL FULL PROGRAM WHICH IT HAD ARRANGED. HOTEL AND TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS HAVE ALSO BEEN CANCELED, AS APPROPRIATE, THERE REMAIN VARIOUS COSTS INCLUDING THE INTERPRETER WHO MUST BE PAID FOR HIS TIME WHICH WE HAD BLOCKED OFF. WE ARE MAINTAINING SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS FOR OIL SKIMMERS, MUELLER AND AJAX IN BRUSSELS, USING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FACILITIES, AND WILL HOLD TO ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY CONSULATE GENERAL ANTWERP IN THAT CITY. WE WILL TRY TO SALVAGE SOMETHING OF LIEGE PORTION OF PROGRAM FOR THESE COMPANIES. WE HAVE ALSO ASKED FABRIMETAL IF CERTAIN OF THE ANTIPOL COMPANIES WOULD DESIRE TO MEET INDIVIDUALLY WITH THE ABOVE THREE COMPANIES. WE ARE RETAINING THREE DOUBLES AT HILTON AND WILL, OF COURSE, RENDER EVERY ASSISTANCE TO THE RUMP MEMBERS OF THE MISSION.

2. PLEASE INFORM MURPHY OF MUELLER COMPANY OF THE ARRANGEMENTS
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WE HAVE MADE FOR HIM:

TUESDAY (ANTWERP)

10:00 BUINHOF S.A. - APPT. WITH H.J. WOUTERS (SUPPLIER OF INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT, FITTINGS, VALVES AND CONTROLLING DEVICES).

11:00 BADGER S.A. - APPT. WITH MR. HEIRSTRAETE, CHEIF BUYER (US CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING FIRM WHICH BUILDS CHEMICAL AND PETRO-CHEMICAL PLANTS).

12:15 LUNCHEON WITH BUSINESSMEN AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ORGANIZED BY CONSULATE GENERAL.

14:00 COMPRIMO - APPT. WITH MR. VAN DEN BOSSCHE (BUILDER OF PETRO-CHEMICAL AND REFINERY PROJECTS).

15:00 TRANSMARK - MR. MAHIEU (IMPORTER AND DISTRIBUTOR OF HYDRAULIC MATERIAL, VALVES AND COUPLINGS, ETC.).

WEDNESDAY (BRUSSELS)

09:00 MAXIBEL - APPT. WITH MR. LANGE, MANGER (AGENT NON-FERROUS METALS).

09:30 USINES DE BRAINE-LE-COMTE-APPT. WITH MR. PREUD-HOMME (BOILER-WORK FACTORY).

10:00 S.C.A.P.I.-APPT. WITH MR. MARTIAL DE MUNTER, MARKETING SERVICE MANAGER (MANUFACTURER OF VALVES).

10:30 SOBECOMIN-APT. WITH MR. JOHN MOUTON, VALVES AND FITTINGS DEPARTMENT (IMPORTER/DISTRIBUTOR OF PIPES, VALVES AND FITTINGS).

3. AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 8 CAN POSSIBLY BE FILLED WITH MEETINGS WITH SOME OF ANTIPOL MEMBERS. WE CAN ALSO ATTEMPT TO PUT TOGETHER PIECES OF THE LIEGE PORTION OF THE ORIGINAL SCHEDULE.

4. AS CAN BE SEEN FROM THE ABOVE SCHEDULE, WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD STILL BE WORTHWHILE FOR THE MUELLER COMPANY TO COME TO BELGIUM. RENNER

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